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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed July 29, 2003 (for which petition is hereby made for a five-month extension of time), applicants hereby elect as follows, referring to the numbered paragraphs appearing on pages 2 and 3 of the Action:

1. A core containing a different active material from the power coating material applied thereto;
2. Discrete composite particles consisting of two or more components;
3. Discrete composite particles consisting of two or more different components.

Claims 60, 63, 64-71, 73, 75-87, 90-98, 100-116, 119-123, 126, 127, 129-158 read on the elected species.

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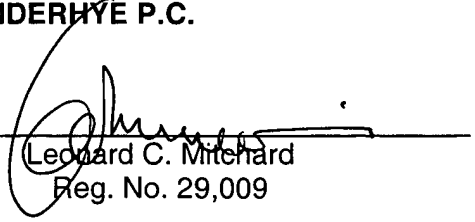
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Favorable action on this application is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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